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SUBJECT: W/W: POSSIBLE DISAPPEARANCE OF USC

1. MS. ASMA AL-BAQRI, EGYPTIAN FREE LANCE PHOTOGRAPHER, HAS REPORTED TO EMBASSY POSSIBLE DISAPPEARANCE OF USC TOM WEIDLINGER, ASSOCIATE PRODUCER WITH COMMUNITY TELEVISION OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, 4401 SUNSET BLVD., LOS ANGELES, CALIF. TEL: 213-666-6500. MS. AL-BAQRI HAD BEEN WORKING WITH WEIDLINGER AND WAS TO HAVE MEETING WITH HIM MONDAY, JULY 10 AT CAIRO HILTON. WEIDLINGER DID NOT KEEP APPOINTMENT, AND HAS NOT RETURNED TO HILTON IN MEANTIME. MS. AL-BAQRI KNOWS WEIDLINGER WAS PLANNING TO GO INTO DESERT AROUND KARKOUR SOUTH WEST OF ASWAN, ON SATURDAY, JULY 8, FOR FILMING AND FEARS HE MAY HAVE BECOME LOST. UNFORTUNATELY, SHE HAS ABSOLUTELY NO OTHER INFORMATION ABOUT WEIDLINGER'S ACTIVITIES, PLANS, CONTACTS OR ASSOCIATES IN EGYPT, ETC.

2. WE HAVE ASKED EGYPTIAN POLICE TO INITIATE DISCREET INQUIRIES IN ASWAN AREA CONCERNING WEIDLINGER'S WHEREABOUTS, AND ARE CALLING LOCAL HOTELS TO SEE IF HE MAY HAVE RETURNED TO CAIRO BUT NOT TO HILTON.

3. WE DO NOT WISH TO ALARM WEIDLINGER'S FAMILY OR ASSOCIATES IN U.S., BUT IF HE IS IN FACT MISSING, TIME MAY BE OF ESSENCE. AT DEPARTMENT'S DISCRETION, WE WOULD
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APPRECIATE EMPLOYER'S BEING ASKED TO PROVIDE ANY INFORMATION THEY MAY HAVE RE WEIDLINGER'S PLANS, CONTACTS IN EGYPT, DATE OF ARRIVAL IN EGYPT, PLANNED DEPARTURE DATE, ONWARD DESTINATION, ETC. EILTS

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